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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

An original Appeal Brief was filed on June 12, 2003 along with a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a five (5) month extension of time, from January 12, 2003, up to and including June 12, 2003. A Notification of Non-Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.192(c) was mailed by the Patent Office on September 23, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions that the period for filing the within Amended Appeal Brief be extended for five (5) months, to and including March 23, 2004. A check for the petition fee in the amount of \$1,005.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5) (small entity) is enclosed herewith.

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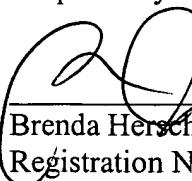
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